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SOCIAL SECURITY LIABILITY
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned `EPF worried over IFCI default` appearing in the Times of India dated April 13, 2002;

(b) if so, the details of the facts reported in the newsitem; (

(c) whether the payment obligation of Social Security Liability are lower in IFCI priority;

(d) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to resolve all the issues mentioned in the newsitem?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a): Yes Sir,

(b): It has been reported in the news item that IFCI has sought roll over of allreceivable accruing to the Central Board of Trustees Employees Provident Fund upto 31.3.2004 as it is meeting payment obligations towards the foreign borrowings.

(c) to (e) : IFCI has informed that it is committed to clear their dues to allincluding social security liability. Due to the asset liability mismatch on account of bunching of repayment of foreign currency and rupee borrowings, IFCI has requested large lender to reinvest the amount at attractive rates.